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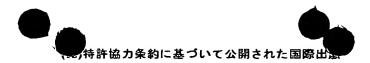
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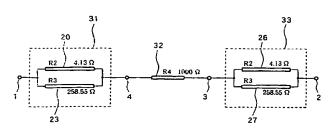
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(54) 発明の名称: 生体植設用電極リードおよびそれを用いる生体植設用医療器具



(57) Abstract: A living body insertion electrode lead so designed that an omen for breakage of the electrode lead can be detected and reported in early stages before complete breakage; and a living body insertion medical instrument using the same, which can be used more safely. That is, a living body insertion electrode lead including parallel combinations of conductor wires (23, 27) of higher electric resistance and conductor wires (40, 44) of lower electric resistance is capable of detecting and reporting a change in the electric resistance of

the living body insertion electrode lead at a point of time when one of the lower-strength conductor wires (23, 27) breaks; therefore, an omen for breakage of the entire living body insertion electrode lead can be found.

#### (57) 要約:

生体植設用電極リードに用いる電極リードが、完全断線する前の早い段階で、断線の予兆を発見し報知することのできる電極リードを提供し、さらに、その電極リードを用いたより安全に使用できる生体植設用医療器具を提供する。すなわち、電気抵抗の大きい導体ワイヤ23、27と電気抵抗の小さい導体ワイヤ40、44をそれぞれ並列に接続した生体植設用電極リードは、低強度の導体ワイヤ23または27のうちの1本が断線した時点で、生体植設用電極リードの電気抵抗変化を検出し報知することができるので、生体植設用電極リード全体が断線する前の予兆を発見できる。